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OPTICAL DISC AND MANUFACTURING  
METHOD FOR THE SAME  
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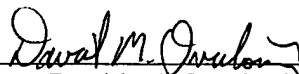
Sir:

Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the dates of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-303345, filed October 3, 2000, and Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-303346, filed October 3, 2000, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

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